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ICARC NEWSLETTER

Officers for 2018:

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1. Dave Dzelsky N3DZ
2. Craig Bigler AB3XA
3. Jerry Kiehl WB3DUD
4. Joe Rankin KC3CDG
5. Larry Freeman N3LT

LOCAL HAPPENINGS:

Remember ICARC membership dues should be paid as soon as possible. The membership form may be downloaded from the W3BMD website.

The following announcement was sent out to all via email by Doug Fitzsimmons K3LAB, ICARC President

Just a quick note to let you know the new county repeater is operational. The frequency pair is 146.745/146.145 and the PL tone is 131.8. The repeater is operating as configured by the vendor, at a power level of 20w and a short hang time. In the very near future, we plan to reconfigure these items. Once the weather warms up, I'll like to plan some coverage testing throughout the county.

In the meantime, let's get on the air and test is out. Feedback is welcome.

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL HAPPENINGS:

The following announcement was sent from ARRL headquarters:

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ARLS003 Fox-1D (AO-92) Now Commissioned, Open for Amateur Use

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Space Bulletin 003 ARLS003
From ARRL Headquarters
Newington, CT January 26, 2018
To all radio amateurs

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AMSAT Vice President-Operations Drew Glasbrenner, K04MA, has declared that Fox-1D (AO-92) is now open for general Amateur Radio use. That word followed an announcement from AMSAT Vice President-Engineering Jerry Buxton, N0JY, that AO-92 had been commissioned and formally turned over to AMSAT Operations.

Initially, the U/V FM transponder will be open continuously for 1 week. After that, operation will be shared among the U/V FM

transponder, L-Band Downshifter, Virginia Tech Camera, and the University of Iowa's High Energy Radiation CubeSat Instrument (HERCI).

AMSAT News Service, AMSAT-BB, AMSAT's Twitter account (@AMSAT), the AMSAT-NA Facebook group, and the AMSAT website (<https://www.amsat.org/satellite-schedules/>) will report any updates.

AO-92 was launched from India on January 12. For the past 2 weeks, the AMSAT Engineering and Operations teams have been testing the various modes and experiments on board. Testing has shown that both the U/V FM transponder and L-Band Downshifter are working well. The Virginia Tech camera has returned photos of Earth and data from HERCI has been successfully downlinked.

AMSAT thanked the 178 stations around the world that used FoxTelem to collect telemetry and experiment data from AO-92 during the commissioning process.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Tuesday, February 6, 2018 ICARC meets in the back room of Indiana Eat n' Park restaurant. The board meeting starts at 7:00 pm and the general meeting begins at 7:30 pm.

Breakfast at the Indiana Eat n' Park restaurant each Saturday starting at 8:30 am in the back room.

OTHER INFORMATION

Terry Carnahan has started a Yoga class at the YMCA. He provided the following information: The class is taught at the Indiana County YMCA is on Fridays 6:30pm to 7:30pm. It is suited for the beginner and the experienced. You need to be a member of the Y to participate. But there is no additional cost to attend any of the yoga classes that the Y offers.

If anyone would like to include information or write an article for the Newsletter please let Larry Freeman, know by email at: wd4hoz@gmail.com. The only caveats are: The editor reserves the right to alter the format for publication purposes. The content may also be modified contingent upon accuracy and appropriateness of the contained material. The latter would, of course, be subject to the approval of the original author.
